

Appropriation: Historic Preservation Fund

Mission Overview

The Historic Preservation Fund contributes to a significant goal of the National Park Service. By focusing outside of the national park system, natural and cultural resources are conserved through formal partnership programs. The intent of the goal is to encourage agencies and individuals undertaking preservation by private means, and to assist State and local governments to expand and accelerate their historic preservation programs and activities.

Appropriation Overview

The Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) appropriation includes grant programs to facilitate the preservation of the Nation's historic and cultural resources. In FY 2008, the appropriation is composed of three budget activities:

Grants-in-Aid

The Grants-in-Aid activity includes matching grants to the States, Territories and Indian Tribes for preservation of their cultural heritage. The activity also includes matching grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities to facilitate the preservation of threatened historic buildings. The FY 2008 President's budget includes a request to establish a grant program for a web-based national inventory of historic properties.

Grants-in-Aid to Save America's Treasures

The Grants-in-Aid to Save America's Treasures program provides grants to preserve nationally significant heritage resources, including buildings, films, books, and records.

Grants-in-Aid to Preserve America

The Grants-in-Aid to Preserve America program provides assistance to communities to preserve their local heritage in a self-sustaining manner, including funding for planning and feasibility studies, heritage education curricula and heritage tourism business cases.